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In re application of

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METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR MEASURING MATERIAL

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, please  
amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 4 as follows:

--4. A feeding amount controlling apparatus as  
defined in claim 2, wherein the feeding rate shifting  
mechanism comprises larger diameter valve and smaller  
diameter valve which are respectively installed in main  
feeding line and by-pass feeding line thereof and can shift  
the feeding rate from high rate to low one by closing the  
large diameter valve.

Amend claim 10 as follows:

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